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This is a request for a ☒ continuation or ☐ divisional application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d),
(continued prosecution application (CPA)) of prior application number 08/756,257,
filed on November 25, 1996, entitled Tool Position Indicator.

NOTES

FILING QUALIFICATIONS: The prior application identified above must be a nonprovisional application that is either: (1) complete as defined by 37 C.F.R. § 1.51(b), or (2) the national stage of an international application in compliance with 35 U.S.C. 371. A Notice will be placed on a patent issuing from a CPA, except for reissues and designs, to the effect that the patent issued on a CPA and is subject to the twenty-year patent term provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 154(a)(2). Therefore, the prior application of a CPA may have been filed before, on or after June 8, 1995.

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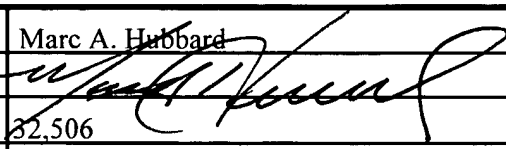
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SMALL ENTITY STATEMENT

The small entity statement is being filed in connection with a new, Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) claiming priority from copending U.S. Application No. 08/756,257, filed November 25, 1996.

Applicant claims small entity status. See CFR 1.27.

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